

Product Design Interview Question

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How to use this:

- **1.** Review what we expect about your role in the interview process
- **2.** Consider the questions we have suggested but feel free to add your own
- **3.** Be sure to provide clear feedback to the hiring team about our decision to approve or deny a candidate.
- **4.** Questions you cannot ask according to the law can be found here.



Behaviors

How you understand, envision, and influence products and their strategy with teams to create market impact.

Competencies	Jr. Product Designer	Product Designer In addition to Jr. Product Designer	Sr. Product Designer In addition to Product Designer	Design Director In addition to Sr. Product Designer	VP of Design In addition to Design Director
1.1 Building product knowledge	What is a growth area for you? What have you not mastered yet that you feel is important to your career? Desired response: Humility, Growth Mindset	What is a growth area for you? What have you not mastered yet that you feel is important to your career? Desired response: Humility, Growth Mindset	What is a growth area for you? What have you not mastered yet that you feel is important to your career? Desired response: Humility, Growth Mindset	What is a growth area for you? What have you not mastered yet that you feel is important to your career? Desired response: Humility, Growth Mindset	What is a growth area for you? What have you not mastered yet that you feel is important to your career? Desired response: Humility, Growth Mindset
1.2 Influencing product vision and strategy	What's a new tool in the design world that I don't know about yet? Tell me about it. Desired response: Change Maker, Trendsetter	What's a new tool in the design world that I don't know about yet? Tell me about it. Desired response: Change Maker, Trendsetter	Can you tell us a time where you have had to implement a new design process into an org? How did you approach it? Desired response: Leadership, Change Maker, Diplomat	Can you tell us a time where you have had to implement a new design process into an org? How did you approach it? Desired response: Leadership, Change Maker, Diplomat	Can you tell us a time where you have to implement a new design process into an org? How did you approach it? Desired response: Leadership, Change Maker, Diplomat
1.3 Working with partners across functions	Can you describe your experience working with cross functional teams? Desired response: Collaborative, Respectful, Knowledgeable	Can you describe your experience working with cross functional teams? Desired response: Collaborative, Respectful, Knowledgeable	Can you describe your experience working with cross functional teams? Desired response: Collaborative, Respectful, Knowledgeable	Can you describe your experience working with cross functional teams? Desired response: Collaborative, Respectful, Knowledgeable	Can you describe your experience working with cross functional teams? Desired response: Collaborative, Respectful, Knowledgeable

1.4 Improve your team	Can you tell me about a person who mentored you and how they helped you? Desired response: Respect, Growth Mindset	Can you tell me about a person who mentored you and how they helped you? Desired response: Respect, Growth Mindset	Can you tell me about a person you mentored and how you helped them? Desired response: Leadership, Empathy, Selflessness	Can you tell me about a person you mentored and how you helped them? Desired response: Leadership, Empathy, Selflessness	Can you tell me about a person you mentored and how you helped them? Desired response: Leadership, Empathy, Selflessness
1.5 Improve team culture	Can you tell me about some cultural contributions you have made in any of your previous roles? Maybe you introduced a new tool? Or created a handy spreadsheet? Taught a workshop? Or Organized a happy hour? Anything that contributed culturally to the org. Desired response: Leadership, Change Maker	Can you tell me about some cultural contributions you have made in any of your previous roles? Maybe you introduced a new tool? Or created a handy spreadsheet? Taught a workshop? Or Organized a happy hour? Anything that contributed culturally to the org. Desired response: Leadership, Change Maker	Can you tell me about some cultural contributions you have made in any of your previous roles? Maybe you introduced a new tool? Or created a handy spreadsheet? Taught a workshop? Or Organized a happy hour? Anything that contributed culturally to the org. Desired response: Leadership, Change Maker	Can you tell me about some cultural contributions you have made in any of your previous roles? Maybe you introduced a new tool? Or created a handy spreadsheet? Taught a workshop? Or Organized a happy hour? Anything that contributed culturally to the org. Desired response: Leadership, Change Maker	Can you tell me about som cultural contributions you have made in any of your previous roles? Maybe you introduced a new tool? Or created a handy spreadsheet? Taught a workshop? Or Organized a happy hour? Anything that contributed culturally to the org. Desired response: Leadership, Change Maker



Execution

How you explore problems, design innovative solutions quickly, create impact in new problem spaces, and push our craft forward.

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2.1 Process	Walk me through your product design process? Desired response: Research > Discovery > Design & Iteration > Testing > Validation > Launch & After Care	Walk me through your product design process? Desired response: Research > Discovery > Design & Iteration > Testing > Validation > Launch & After Care	Walk me through your product design process? Desired response: Research > Discovery > Design & Iteration > Testing > Validation > Launch & After Care	Walk me through your product design process? Desired response: Research > Discovery > Design & Iteration > Testing > Validation > Launch & After Care	Walk me through your product design process? Desired response: Research > Discovery > Design & Iteration > Testing > Validation > Launch & After Care
2.1 Designing systems	Can you walk me through a design system you have managed or created? Desired response: Organized, Technically sound, Systems thinker	Can you walk me through a design system you have managed or created? Desired response: Organized, Technically sound, Systems thinker	Can you walk me through a design system you have managed or created? Desired response: Organized, Technically sound, Systems thinker	Can you walk me through a design system you have managed or created? Show me a live example. Desired response: Organized, Technically sound, Systems thinker	Can you walk me through a design system you have managed or created? Desired response: Organized, Technically sound, Systems thinker
2.2 Tools	Can you tell me about your toolset? Desired response: Figma, Sketch, InVision, Deep understanding of tool functions, capabilities and next-gen toolset	Can you tell me about your toolset? Desired response: Figma, Sketch, InVision, Deep understanding of tool functions, capabilities and next-gen toolset	Can you tell me about your toolset? Desired response: Figma, Sketch, InVision, Deep understanding of tool functions, capabilities and next-gen toolset	Can you tell me about your toolset? Desired response: Figma, Sketch, InVision, Deep understanding of tool functions, capabilities and next-gen toolset	Can you tell me about your toolset? Desired response: Figma, Sketch, InVision, Deep understanding of tool functions, capabilities and next-gen toolset



Strategy

How you move fast to create impact in your daily work and grow our team with more great people like you.

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4.1 Focusing on goals, not tasks	Can you tell me about a time you achieved a goal you didn't think you could? Desired response: Ambition, Drive	Can you tell me about a time you achieved a goal you didn't think you could? Desired response: Ambition, Drive	Can you tell me about how you helped a team or individuals set and hit an ambitious roadmap and goals for a project? Desired response: Vision, Organization, Process	Can you tell me about how you helped a team or individuals set and hit an ambitious roadmap and goals for a project? Desired response: Vision, Organization, Process	Can you tell me about how you helped a team or individuals set and hit an ambitious roadmap and goals for a project? Desired response: Vision, Organization, Process
4.2 Moving things forward quickly	What did you do to make sure you stayed on task so you could accomplish your goal? Desired response: Organization	What did you do to make sure you stayed on task so you could accomplish your goal? Desired response: Organization	How did you ensure the team was hitting their goals and milestones? Desired response: Organization	How did you ensure the team was hitting their goals and milestones? Desired response: Organization	How did you ensure the team was hitting their goals and milestones? Desired response: Organization
4.3 Being efficient	What could you have done to get to your desired goal faster? Desired response: Self reflection	What could you have done to get to your desired goal faster? Desired response: Self reflection	What optimization have you been able to make to help your teams move faster? Desired response: Innovation, Tools	What optimization have you been able to make to help your teams move faster? Desired response: Innovation, Tools	What optimization have you been able to make to help your teams move faster? Desired response: Innovation, Tools
4.4 Maximizing opportunities	Once you achieved that goal, what did you do next? Desired response: Builds on	Once you achieved that goal, what did you do next? Desired response: Builds on	What made your project a success or failure? Desired response: Takes	What made your project a success or failure? Desired response: Takes	What made your project a success or failure? Desired response: Takes



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	diplomatically addresses	diplomatically addresses	diplomatically addresses
	problem areas.	problem areas.	problem areas.